University College of the North
Student Accessibility Services

Office of the Dean of Students

Accessible Learning for All

REQUEST FOR MEDICAL INFORMATION

Re: Service Animal/Emotional Support Animal (ESA)

Student Name: (Please Print) _____

UCN Student ID #: _____ Campus: ◯ The Pas ◯ Thompson

Living Accommodations: ◯ UCN Apartment ◯ UCN Housing ◯ Carroll Hall

Information Re: Proposed Service/ESA Animal

Name of Animal: _____

Type of Animal: _____ Age of Animal: _____

The above-named student has indicated that you are the (physician, psychiatrist, psychologist, mental health worker) who has suggested that having a Service or ESA animal in UCN Student Housing/Carroll Hall and on Campus will be helpful in alleviating one or more of the identified symptoms or effects of the student's disability. We will accept documentation from providers in the Province of Manitoba.

To allow us to better evaluate the request for this accommodation, please answer the following questions:

Information about the Student's Disability (A person with a disability is defined as someone who has a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities.)

1. What are the functional limitations of student's mental health impairment?

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2. Does the student require ongoing treatment? ◯ Yes ◯ No

   If yes, please explain:

   _____

3. How long have you been working with the student regarding this mental health diagnosis? _____

Information about the Proposed Service/ESA Animal

1. Is this an animal that you specifically prescribed as part of treatment for the student, or is it a companion animal (pet) that you believe will have a beneficial effect for the student while living in Student Housing/Carroll Hall during the academic year?

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2. What symptoms will be reduced by having this animal with the student?

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3. Is there evidence that an animal has helped this student currently or in the past?

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Importance of the Student's Well-being

1. In your opinion, how important is it for the student's well-being that the animal live with and accompany the student to class while attending UCN?

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2. Have you discussed the responsibilities associated with properly caring for an animal while engaged in typical university activities and residing in Student Housing/Carroll Hall? If you have not had this conversation, we will discuss this with the student at a later date.
   ◯ Yes ◯ No

3. Do you believe these responsibilities might exacerbate the student's symptoms in any way? ◯ Yes ◯ No

If yes, please explain.

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Thank you for taking the time to complete this form. If we need additional information, we may contact you (with the permission of the student) at a later date. We recognize that having a Service/ESA animal is beneficial for someone with a significant mental health disorder. However, the practical limitations of our housing arrangements make it necessary to carefully consider the request for a Service/ESA animal because of the impact that it may have on both the student and the campus community.

Please sign to give UCN Student Accessibility Services permission to contact the medical professional.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please provide contact information

Name (please print) _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

Fax _____

Email _____

Signature of Professional _____ Date _____

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